

THOUGHTS ON BUSINESS

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WHY MISTAKES ARE MADE

MISTAKES do not "happen"—they are the results of causes. A vast measure of time, money, and opportunity is lost in making mistakes and trying to rectify them. To correct mistakes is a good work, but to prevent them is a far higher achievement. The "ounce of prevention" may be applied by carefully considering some of the chief causes of errors in business. They are:

Carelessness, inattention and superficial interest;
Laziness—not being willing to take the trouble;
Accepting appearances as facts without investigation;
Proceeding without discussion or advice;
Impulsive decisions not well thought out;
Lack of foresight and preparation;
Wrong theories and biased advice;
False economy and desire for gain;
Lack of tact and thoughtfulness;
Forgetting and neglect of duty;
Depending on those not properly instructed;
Failure to take due precautions;
Failure to safeguard weak points;
Overconfidence and exaggerated hopes.

The remainder may be charitably classed as the result of human frailty—a last resort in explaining mistakes that cannot be rectified nor traced to their roots in undeveloped character.

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AROUSES JAPAN'S IRE

Action of California Legislature Causes Stir in Tokyo.

Predict Passage of Laws Forbidding Ownership of Lands and Attendance at Public Schools by Japanese Residents of State.

Following the receipt of special cable dispatches from San Francisco, relative to matters now pending before the California legislature, Japanese newspapers at Tokyo elaborate upon the strained relations that may arise through the passage of bills and the enactment of laws forbidding the ownership of lands and the attendance of public schools by Japanese residents of the state. A majority of the papers assume the passage of the bills as a probability, and protest against them as an injustice to the Japanese now living in California.

The Asahi, the Jiji and the Nichi Nichi express surprise at what is termed an evidence of unfriendliness after the sincere effort on Japan's part to prove her friendship toward the people of the United States. The extreme opposition papers assail the Japanese government for "falling into the arms of a nation which, at the first opportunity, not only shows its unfriendly spirit, but even denies equal opportunity to the Japanese."

Newspapers published in English, representing British and German interests, are making much of the California legislature's action and are pointing out that America, while recently endeavoring to create an impression of friendliness toward Japan, really was unfriendly.

The situation is seriously embarrassing to Americans residing in Japan and especially so as the incident follows so closely the creation of an excellent feeling through the visit of the Atlantic fleet, the American commission to the Japanese exposition and the excursion of business men from cities of the Pacific coast. The foreign office is endeavoring to convince the protesting newspapers that the action of the California legislature does not represent general American sentiment, but the publications continue to be extremely pessimistic in their tones and some of the editorials of the opposition press becoming violent, are liable temporarily to inflame popular opinion and seriously hamper the exercise of American influence in Japan for many years.

GOVERNOR HADLEY IN.

First Republican Executive of Missouri Since 1871.

Herbert S. Hadley, who as attorney general of Missouri earned considerable fame as an "investigator of trusts," was Monday inaugurated as governor of Missouri. He is the first Republican governor of Missouri since 1871. The state militia was enlisted to make the inauguration a brilliant affair. The oath of office was administered to the new governor by Judge Henry Lamm, the only Republican member of the supreme court. When this was done the militia fired a salute of seventeen guns. Attorney General Elect Major said the Missouri constitution will not permit the speaker of the house to declare who was elected lieutenant governor of Missouri, as was done in Nebraska. Certain Republican members of the legislature contend that the speaker of the house is the proper party to decide the lieutenant governorship dispute.

BROWN DENIES OMAHA REPORT.
Says Harriman Has Not Gained Control of New York Central.

There was keen interest in railroad circles in New York city over the report from Omaha that E. H. Harriman had gained a controlling interest in the New York Central lines and was already exercising his power in the direction of the affairs of the road by officiating as chairman of the executive committee.

William C. Brown, president of the New York Central, said: "You can deny for me in every particular the report from Omaha. There is not even a shadow of truth in it. I have never seen E. H. Harriman in the Grand Central depot, where our executive offices are, and so far as I know he has never been in the board room of the Central. Further than that I will say that I have never exchanged a single word with E. H. Harriman on the subject of the New York Central railroad."

Mr. Harriman refused to be interviewed on the subject.

MARSHAL SLAIN BY BURGLARS.
Son of Missouri Official Is Also Shot in Fight at Clarence.

In a fight with burglars, Marshal H. B. Rickey of Clarence, Mo., a town a few miles east of Macon, was shot and killed and his son, Sam, was shot in the side of the face. Posses are searching for the burglars. Rickey had located twelve suits of clothing the men had hidden and, with his son, waited for the men. They opened fire on the marshal and Rickey and his son returned the fire until he fell.

Decide in Favor of Swiss Balloon.
After a lively discussion of five hours, the International Association of Aeronauts, in session at London, by a vote of 38 to 12, decided in favor of the Swiss balloon, Helvetia, as the winner of the international balloon race for the James Gordon Bennett trophy in Germany last October.

A GREEN OLD AGE.

It Is Enjoyed by Dr. Robert Collyer, New Eighty-five.

The Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer, who celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday recently, was able to eat and enjoy a good dinner given in his honor at a New York hotel by a score of his friends. A birthday cake was among the things presented to the noted Unitarian divine. Among those who congratulated him on reaching fourscore and five was Andrew Carnegie, who said:

"I am not a Unitarian, but I have long ceased to pay much attention to the divisions of Christianity. I vote for the whole ticket. I was born nearer to Dr. Collyer than any one else here. I sailed from Glasgow in 1848; he came in 1850. That is the only occasion, I think, in which I got ahead



REV. DR. ROBERT COLLYER.

of him. He became a teacher of men; I went into business determined to make \$500 a year. We both followed the prophets, but I, with my well known preference for simplified spelling, spelled them "profits."

Dr. Collyer is sometimes called the grand old man of Unitarianism in America. In Yorkshire, England, where, near the home of Charlotte Bronte, Robert Collyer was born, his parents reared him to be a Methodist and a blacksmith. But one day he married, and the next he sailed for America. At Shoemakertown, near Philadelphia, he made hammers during the week and preached on Sundays. But once he occupied a Unitarian pulpit. The Methodists objected and refused him a license to preach.

Shortly afterward, in 1859, he removed to Chicago to take charge of a mission and in the same year was chosen pastor of the Unity church. His sermon of hope and faith just after the Chicago fire proved the mettle of the preacher and made him famous. In 1879 he was called to New York.

SINGING AWAY CANCER.

Dr. Bull, Stricken, Hears Calve and Declares He Will Get Well.

Can singing cure disease? Is the question that agitates the mind when recent circumstances in the illness of the noted surgeon and specialist, Dr. William T. Bull of New York, are taken note of.

Himself attacked by the relentless enemy, cancer, that he had so successfully fought in others and sick unto



DR. WILLIAM T. BULL.

death for several weeks, Dr. Bull, on hearing her name mentioned, expressed the desire once more to listen to the great Calve. His request was complied with, and, to the amazement of the physicians in attendance, the patient sat straight up in bed for ten minutes after hearing the voice of the noted singer and said, as his face glowed with life, "I am going to get well." He was a new man, and it is believed his prophecy will be fulfilled.

Mme. Calve says she will continue the good work.

Killed Him.

"How did Cholly get concussion of the brain?"
"I think there was a collision between two trains of thought."—Cleveland Leader.

A BASEBALL WONDER.

"Old Hoss" Radbourne, Greatest of All Pitchers.

THE HERCULES OF THE GAME

His Marvelous Feat of Pluck, Strength and Endurance That Won the Pennant For Providence in 1884—A Record in Games Won.

Pitchers may come and pitchers may go, but the name of "Old Hoss" Radbourne goes on forever. I have talked to many great ball players who have lamented to me the fact that baseball fame is so ephemeral that it was not worth the gaining, and, while no doubt this is in a great measure true, there is one pitcher who has left a name that promises to roll on for many, many years.

Each year hundreds of pitchers claim attention of the world, and each year they are promptly forgotten. But Illinois produced a man who, although now years deceased, has a brighter name than any of the great multitude.

In the great campaign of 1884, when the Providence club, then a member of the National league, was fighting a bitter game with Philadelphia, a catastrophe occurred that seemingly would disrupt its chances of winning the pennant. A player named Sweeney, who was pitching, was ordered to go into right field to change places with "Cy-clone" Miller. At that time it was not permissible to take a pitcher out of the game. Whereupon Sweeney promptly walked out of the game, leaving the team with only eight men and with one pitcher, Charles Radbourne.

Two men tried to cover the field, with the result that Providence was completely snowed under. A meeting of the directors was held to decide whether or not the club should be disbanded. Certainly a professional team was never in a sorrier plight.

Radbourne was approached and the proposition put to him. "I can win it all right," said he quietly and in a matter of fact tone.

And then followed the most remarkable battle for a pennant that the world has ever seen. Radbourne established a record that has never been equaled, one that will live when more expensive contests will have been blissfully forgotten. Of twenty-seven consecutive games Radbourne won twenty-six. In four games with Boston he had three shutouts, only one run was scored and only seventeen hits were made. This defeat was suffered at the hands of Buffalo by a score of 2 to 0, and even then only five hits were made off him, showing that the defeat was not due to poor pitching. Needless to say, Providence won the pennant, or, rather, Radbourne won the pennant.

But the great player had to pay the price. No arm could stand the awful strain without great agony. Morning after morning when Radbourne arose he could not lift his arm as high as his waist. He had to brush his hair with his left hand. But he did not give up the game. He would slip out to the park about two hours before the rest of the team put in an appearance and would begin the excruciating process of limbering up. He would pitch the ball only a few feet when he would first go out, but he would keep on trying time after time, rubbing his arm with his left hand. Sometimes his face would be drawn up into contortions, but never a word of complaint left his lips.

Half an hour before the game was to begin the players would slip out to see how "Old Hoss" was getting along. They would sit silently on the bench, waiting for his arm to get into condition. When he was able to throw from second to home base a rousing cheer would go up, for they knew that meant the winning of the game for them.

Radbourne claimed for his home Bloomington, Ill. After his great season with Providence managers all over the country were upon his heels. Flattering offers poured in, and he was not under contract with Providence for the next season either. When the contest was over the late Ned Allen, president of the team that season, sent for Radbourne. He laid the release before him and close beside it a blank contract. Radbourne looked at them both for several minutes and then slowly took up a pen and filled the blank out for a sum only \$2,000 higher than he had been getting and tore up the release. Allen almost fell on his neck and wept for joy.

Radbourne's last year in baseball was with Cincinnati in 1891, but it was a sad year. It seems a pity that the career of so great a ball player should end so sadly. That year his work showed great deterioration, for the awful strain made in 1884 was beginning to tell on his arm. At the end of the season he was too proud to go into minor league baseball and so entirely withdrew from the game. He returned to Bloomington, where he opened a billiard hall. He had little to say and in unwhimsical silence would sit in a corner and watch the young men laugh as they played. He would talk about himself only when cornered, and then but for a few short words. He had always been an ardent fisherman, hunter and sportsman, but he gave up the open life. Each year his taciturnity increased until he became almost silent.

After a time he gave up his billiard hall and retired into the obscurity of his home, seldom letting people see him. At last, in 1897, he fell ill and soon passed away.—Portland Oregonian.

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FRED MOLLING, Co. Treasurer.

Notice

Notice is hereby given that Box Butte county warrants register No. 1 to 89 can be paid and interest stops.—FRED MOLLING, treasurer.

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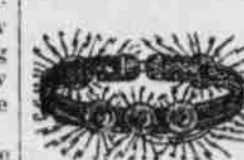
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Cornelius B. Speaks, Plaintiff vs. Albert Miller and Ed. Perry Miller, partners doing business under the name and style of Albert Miller & Co., Defendants.

Albert Miller and Ed. Perry Miller, partners doing business under the name and style of Albert Miller and Company, defendants, will take notice that on the 21st day of December, 1908, Cornelius B. Speaks, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Box Butte county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which are to recover judgment against the defendants in the sum of \$804.30, with interest thereon from October 16, 1908, due plaintiff from defendants, for potatoes sold and delivered defendants to plaintiff at defendants' special instance and request. And that an order of attachment was issued in said case and property of the defendants, to-wit: About 1800 bushels of potatoes in bins 2, 3, 4 and 5, on west side of the potato cellar, known as the A. N. Miller cellar in the town of Hemingford, Box Butte county, Nebraska, were attached under said order of attachment.

You and each of you are requested to answer said petition on or before the 1st day of February, 1909.

CORNELIUS B. SPEAKS, Plaintiff, by Wright & Wright and W. Mitchell, his attorneys.